

Granite State Health Care Coalition

2026 GSHCC Conference

***Strength, Strategy, Partnerships:
Optimizing Response!***



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Healthy Communities

May 6, 2026
9:00am - 3:45pm

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The Granite State Health Care Coalition is an initiative of the Foundation for Healthy Communities, a non-profit organization that engages in innovative partnerships to improve health and health care in New Hampshire by addressing quality of care, access to care, and community prevention.

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WELCOME

Welcome to the 2026 Granite State Health Care Coalition Conference

The Granite State Health Care Coalition staff and Leadership Team are pleased to welcome you to the 2026 Granite State Health Care Coalition Conference "Strength, Strategy, Partnerships: Optimizing Response!" We are beyond thrilled to meet in-person at this annual conference where members, partners, and stakeholders can network and connect. Healthcare, hospital, public health, EMS, emergency management, and other partners across the healthcare response continuum have been highly impacted by response and recovery efforts from various winter storms, flooding, utility outages, violent assailant attacks and threats, cyber events, and evacuations to name but a few. Your resilience, dedication, and service to patients, residents, clients, and communities is evident. Today, we thank you for your continued service to the people who live, work, and visit New Hampshire.

Our dynamic agenda of four plenary sessions will allow all of us to take a closer look at our individual organizational, regional, and statewide healthcare and public health readiness initiatives. Our hope is that you gather concrete takeaways to bring back to your organizations and colleagues, to enhance your emergency preparedness efforts as we collectively prepare for emerging threats on the horizon.

If your organization is not already a member and is interested in joining the Granite State Health Care Coalition, please contact gshcc@healthynh.org for additional information.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Attending Sessions

All registered participants will attend two plenary sessions and two panel sessions as there are no breakout sessions on the agenda.

Nametags

Please wear your nametag throughout the day so we can clearly identify you as a conference attendee. Please recycle your name tag and lanyard at the end of the day by dropping them off at the conference registration table. *Please do not leave the premises with the lanyard.*

Evaluation and Attendance Certificate

The conference evaluation will be presented in an electronic format only. The conference evaluation QR code is located below and will be made available throughout the day. Your honest feedback is important to us and will help identify content for future training and programs.

After completing the evaluation, you will receive your attendance certificate electronically upon request. If you experience issues, please contact the GSHCC team at gshcc@healthynh.org.

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Wi-Fi

Free Wi-Fi is available for today's conference. Connection information is below. Guests will need to complete the registration form upon logging in.

Connect to: SNHU
Password: Exeter11

Food

Lunch and refreshments are being provided today. A gluten-free lunch option has been made available and is noted in the food menu listing at the lunch station. Please note we cannot guarantee an allergy-friendly environment.

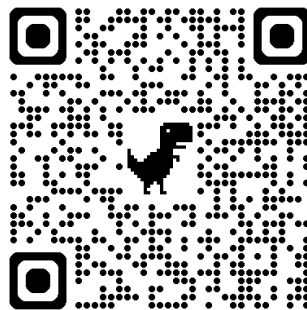
Please note the SNHU campus is a nut-free environment.

Please do not bring nut products into the venue or open them if you have brought them with you!

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all refreshments and food for today's
Conference!**



Please visit their vendor booth today and visit their website for additional information on resources!



SCHEDULE AT-A-GLANCE

8:00-9:00am	Registration, networking, continental breakfast, and visit Evolve Technologies vendor booth
9:00-9:20am	GSHCC welcome
9:20-10:30am	Plenary: <i>From the Server Room to the Sterile Room: Stopping Cyber Threats Before They Disrupt Patients</i> Joe Villers, Rick Rossi
10:30-10:45am	Break
10:45-11:55am	Plenary: <i>The AI Surge and the Resiliency Gap: Preparing Healthcare for What Comes Next</i> Dr. Adam Landman
11:55am-12:55pm	Lunch and networking
12:55-2:05pm	Panel: <i>From Risk to Resilience: Coordination Response in an Assisted Living Evacuation; Are You Prepared?</i> Kristie Daigneault, Chief Michael Gilbert, Stephanie Locke
2:05-2:20pm	Break
2:20-3:30pm	Panel: <i>Sky Meadow Country Club Shooting: Preparedness as the Decisive Variable</i> Emily Martuscello, Stacey Carroll, Stephanie Locke
3:30-3:40pm	Closing remarks

Agenda

All events to occur in banquet facilities at SNHU Dining Center

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GSHCC Welcome

GSHCC Leadership

9:20am- 10:30am

Plenary #1: *From the Server Room to the Sterile Room: Stopping Cyber Threats Before They Disrupt Patients*

Speakers: Joe Villers, Rick Rossi

From suspicious emails to propped doors and unsecured devices, real risk shows up in everyday moments. In this session, we'll demystify today's most common cyber threats (phishing, credential theft, vendor/supply-chain issues, and more) and show how they connect to the physical world—think tailgating, lost badges, and USB drop attacks. You'll learn simple, proven habits that any staff member can use to protect patients and keep facilities running: spotting and reporting scams, using strong authentication, handling devices safely, and coordinating quickly when something feels off. We'll wrap up by sharing a treasure trove of free CISA tools and resources—cybersecurity and physical security solutions your organization can start using right away.

10:30am-10:45am

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Plenary #2: The AI Surge and the Resiliency Gap: Preparing Healthcare for What Comes Next

Speaker: Dr. Adam Landman

Artificial intelligence is accelerating rapidly, bringing both exciting opportunities and real concerns for healthcare. This session will highlight how AI is being used today in clinical care and what the next wave of innovation may mean for hospitals. We'll also examine the growing resiliency gap as cyber incidents, cloud dependencies, and vendor constraints create longer and more complex downtimes. Using recent lessons learned, we'll discuss what organizations should expect during recovery and practical steps to strengthen preparedness. Participants will leave with a sharper understanding of what's coming—and how to be ready.

11:55am- 12:55pm

Lunch and networking

12:55pm- 2:05pm

Panel #1: From Risk to Resilience: Coordination Response in an Assisted Living Evacuation; Are You Prepared?

Speakers: Kristie Daigneault, Chief Michael Gilbert, Stephanie Locke

When an assisted living facility must evacuate, success depends on more than transportation—it requires seamless coordination across public health, healthcare, emergency management, and long-term care partners. This session highlights a real-world, partnership-driven evacuation, showcasing how unified incident management, healthcare coalition coordination, and clear communication ensured resident safety and continuity of care. Join us to explore key lessons learned and assess your readiness to respond when vulnerable populations depend on you most.

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**Panel #2: Sky Meadow Country Club Shooting:
Preparedness as the Decisive Variable**

Speakers: Emily Martuscello, Stacey Carroll, Stephanie Locke

This session examines a real-world mass trauma incident through the lens of ESF-8 coordination, hospital response, and family assistance operations. Using a chronological case study, presenters from local emergency management, hospital emergency management, and state disaster behavioral health will highlight what worked, what required rapid adaptation, and what has changed since. Attendees will leave with practical lessons for health care coalitions, including coordination models, communication pitfalls, behavioral health integration, and planning considerations that extend well beyond the initial response.

3:30pm- 3:40pm

Closing remarks

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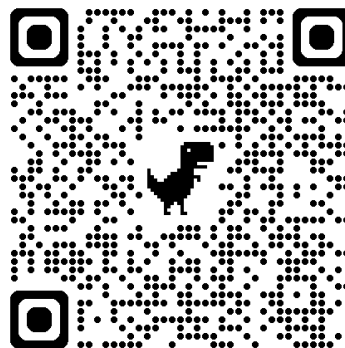
GSHCC MEMBERSHIP

***Please consider becoming a supporting member of the
Granite State Health Care Coalition!***

All partners are valued Granite State Health Care Coalition general members, but part of the mission of the GSHCC is to garner formal support, encourage collaborative approaches to information and resource sharing, and support continuity of healthcare service delivery. There is no cost for membership! To establish a membership structure, the GSHCC is encouraging general members to become supporting members of the Coalition with a signed [Letter of Support](#).

Supporting members are eligible for additional benefits beyond what is extended to general members, including more specific technical assistance, exercise evaluation assistance, and more intensive educational opportunities. Please reference the GSHCC [Letter of Support](#) template and [Member Benefits](#) information. Submit a signed letter to gshcc@healthynh.org if you would like to become a supporting member.

Click on the QR Code below to complete the GSHCC Letter of Support



Speakers

Joe Villers

New Hampshire Protective Security Advisor (PSA) for the Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) Region 1 (New England)

Joseph (Joe) Villers is assigned as the New Hampshire Protective Security Advisor (PSA) for the Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) Region 1 (New England), within the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). CISA established ten regional offices across the country to improve the delivery of the department's services to critical infrastructure owners and operators and state, local, tribal, and territorial partners. CISA assists the public and private sector in securing our nation's critical infrastructure against all threats and hazards.

Joe has been the PSA for New Hampshire since January 2024. Joe is a trained subject matter expert in critical infrastructure protection and vulnerability mitigation. He facilitates local field activities in coordination with other DHS offices and federal agencies. He also advises and assists state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) officials and critical infrastructure owners and operators, and provides coordination and support in times of threat, disruption, and attack. Before joining DHS in 2024, Joe served as a Trooper with the New Hampshire State Police (NHSP). He joined NHSP on December 17th, 2004, and graduated from the 136th Session of the New Hampshire Police Academy. Joe was the class recipient of the Academy's Leadership Award. Joe served as a patrol Trooper in Troop C where he enforced the NH Motor Vehicle and NH Criminal Code and conducted multiple investigations which led to successful prosecution. During this time, he also served as a firearms instructor, NHSP Drill Team member, cadre for the 148th New Hampshire Police Academy and instructed at both the full and part-time police academies.

In 2013 he was assigned to the NHSP Terrorism and Intelligence Unit (TIU) and was promoted to Sergeant in 2015. His duties and responsibilities included managing information sharing efforts and criminal intelligence systems, as well as completing vulnerability assessments as part of the State Critical Infrastructure Protection Program. In 2018 he was promoted to Lieutenant and became the Director of the New Hampshire Information and Analysis Center (NHIAC). As the Director of the NHIAC, he led the sworn and civilian staff of the State's All-crimes/All-hazards Fusion Center. The Center is comprised of staff contributed from state, local and federal agencies. Joe served on the National Fusion Center Association Executive Board and served as a co-chair for the Northeast Regional Intelligence Group, which is comprised of the 18 fusion centers of the Northeast Region.

Joe also served in the military. He retired in 2020 from the U.S. Army as a Sergeant Major with over 27 years of combined active duty and National Guard service. He served first as an Army Airborne Ranger assigned to the 75th Ranger Regiment and later as a Special Forces Soldier assigned to 20th Special Forces Group. He completed multiple combat deployments during his career. Joe completed a BS in Safety Studies from Keene State College and is currently working toward a Master's Degree in Intelligence Studies from American Military University.

Speakers



Richard "Rick" Rossi

Cybersecurity Advisor (CSA) and Cybersecurity State Coordinator (CSC) for the State of New Hampshire, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency's (CISA)

With 20 years of federal service at the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Rick brings extensive experience in cybersecurity and intelligence operations.

Rick joined CISA in 2021 as New Hampshire's first Cybersecurity Advisor, leading efforts to strengthen cyber resilience and foster public-private collaboration. Previously, he spent eight years with DHS Office of Intelligence and Analysis, serving as the Collection Operations Manager for the New England DomDNI Region and as DHS Intelligence Officer for New Hampshire. With extensive experience in national security and cybersecurity, Rick has directed regional cyber threat intelligence programs and managed terrorism watchlisting and HUMINT operations. His expertise spans foreign cyber threats, counterterrorism, counterintelligence, and economic security, and he has contributed to national-level missions including Operation Warp Speed. Rick also advanced technical capabilities for the New England Utility Cybersecurity Integration Collaborative, a pioneering partnership to protect critical energy infrastructure from nation-level foreign cyber threats.

Rick earned his Bachelor's Degree *summa cum laude* from the University of Massachusetts Boston and holds a Master of Science in Strategic Intelligence from the National Intelligence University. He also completed a Certificate in Legislative Studies through the Government Affairs Institute at Georgetown University. He is a Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP) and holds additional credentials including GIAC Certified Incident Handler (GCIH), GIAC Cyber Threat Intelligence (GCTI), and Certified Ethical Hacker (CEH). He is recognized as a SANS Lethal Forensicator and serves as a member of the GIAC Advisory Board.

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Adam Landman, M.D.

Chief Digital Information Officer, Brown University Health

Adam Landman, MD, MS, MIS, MHS is Chief Digital Information Officer at Brown University Health in Providence, Rhode Island, and a member of the faculty (appointment in process) in the Department of Emergency Medicine at the Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University. He is an attending emergency physician and a nationally recognized expert in health information technology and digital health design, development, and implementation.

Previously, Dr. Landman served for 15 years at Brigham and Women's Hospital and Mass General Brigham (MGB), most recently as CIO and SVP of Digital. In that role, he was responsible for technology solution delivery and support across all MGB hospitals and practices, collaborating with clinical and operational leaders to design and implement the system's digital strategy, ensuring that frontline needs for digital capabilities were met while incorporating emerging technologies into care delivery. He was also Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine at Harvard Medical School.

Dr. Landman received his medical degree from Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School and trained in Emergency Medicine at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) Medical Center. He was a Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Clinical Scholar at Yale University, where he also earned a Master of Health Sciences degree. In addition, he completed graduate degrees in Information Systems and Health Care Policy and Management at Carnegie Mellon University.

Speakers



Emily Martuscello, CEM

Emergency Management Director, City of Nashua, New Hampshire

Emily Martuscello is the Director of Emergency Management for the City of Nashua, New Hampshire, where she spearheads the city's efforts to prepare for, respond to, and recover from emergencies and disasters. In this pivotal role, Emily leads a team dedicated to developing and implementing strategic crisis response plans, enhancing community resilience, and ensuring comprehensive disaster preparedness. Her commitment to fostering a culture of safety and preparedness within the community underscores her leadership in the field of emergency management. Before assuming her current position, Emily built a distinguished career that spans various facets of emergency management and public safety. She began her journey in Nashua, NH, focusing on citizen preparedness and community outreach, earning recognition as IAEM's 2017 Emergency Management Volunteer of the Year for her contributions.

Her career trajectory took her to the State of New Hampshire Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, where she managed the Emergency Management Performance Grant program, significantly enhancing statewide emergency preparedness. Emily's expertise and leadership were further recognized at the federal level during her tenure with FEMA Region I as the Continuous Improvement Advisor. There, she was instrumental in establishing a comprehensive continuous improvement program and pioneering the Crowdsourcing Unit, which provided enhanced situational awareness to support decision-making during disasters. Emily's academic background is as impressive as her professional achievements. She graduated from George Washington University with a degree in Political Communications and Emergency Health Services. She furthered her education by completing a Master of Science in Executive Leadership from Champlain College. This solid educational foundation has equipped her with the knowledge and skills to excel in the demanding field of emergency management. Emily Martuscello's career is a testament to her passion for emergency management and her unwavering commitment to public safety. Through her leadership, she continues to make significant contributions to the field, inspiring others to follow in her footsteps towards creating safer and more resilient communities.

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Stacey Carroll

Director, Emergency Management, EMS Coordinator, Workplace Violence Advisor, Southern New Hampshire Health

Stacey Carroll is the Director of Emergency Management/EMS Coordinator at Southern NH Health in Nashua and is a rostered member of the Nashua SWAT Tactical EMS team. She earned her Master's in Nursing Education from Sacred Heart University and is board certified in Critical Care Nursing and Healthcare Disaster Preparedness. Additionally, Lieutenant Colonel Carroll is currently an Army Reserve Battalion Commander out of Jacksonville, FL. In her spare time, she gets to see her husband and her two new kittens, Misha and Sasha.



Stephanie Locke

Bureau Chief, Bureau of Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Recovery, NH Department of Health and Human Services

Stephanie Locke serves in a senior leadership role within the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services' Bureau of Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Recovery, where she leads statewide preparedness and response efforts for ESF-6 (Mass Care) and ESF-8 (Public Health and Medical Services).

She oversees coordination of healthcare medical surge operations, healthcare evacuations, and deployment of public health response assets across New Hampshire, including testing clinics and points of dispensing. Her work focuses on strengthening healthcare coalition coordination, operational readiness, and system resilience during complex incidents.

Stephanie is a licensed paramedic and holds a Master of Science in Disaster Medicine Management, bringing both clinical field experience and executive-level incident management expertise to statewide healthcare preparedness efforts

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Kristie Daigneault

Executive Director, Wheelock Terrace

Kristie Daigneault has worked in the nonprofit sector serving vulnerable adults for over a decade. She attended Harvard Kennedy School focusing on public policy development and leadership.

In 2020, Kristie launched ElderWise Community Care Consultants, a successful consulting firm representing clients in their search to find quality Assisted Living care.



Michael Gilbert

Chief, Hanover Fire Department

Michael Gilbert has dedicated 29 years to the fire service and currently serves as Fire Chief for the Hanover Fire Department. In addition to his leadership role in the fire service, he has spent 15 years working in emergency management as an Emergency Management Director.

Michael is also a Senior Staff Instructor with the New Hampshire Fire Academy, where he has been teaching for approximately 35 years. His extensive experience in fire suppression, emergency management, and education reflects his longstanding commitment to public safety and professional development within the fire service community.

Evaluation

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